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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Please amend the accompanying verified translation of the German language text of PCT/DE2003/003474, filed October 20, 2003; published as WO 2004/037696 A2 and A3 on May 6, 2004; and claiming priority to DE 102 48 820.7, filed October 19, 2002; to DE 103 07 089.3, filed February 19, 2003; to DE 103 22 651.6, filed May 20, 2003 and to DE 103 31 469.5, filed July 11, 2003, the verified translation forming the entire specification, and claims of the subject U.S. patent application, as filed, prior to the calculation of the filing fee and prior to an examination of the application on the merits, as follows.